

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 98

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 118

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 98—Relative to the United States Constitution.

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SCR 98, Lieu. United States Constitution.

This measure would commemorate the 225th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 2012, and the contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies, including, but not limited to, the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the California Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in promoting the values embodied in the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, The American Revolution secured the independence of the United States and made possible the vibrant system of self-government of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The supporters of the American Revolution, through their vision and determination, enhanced the lives of countless individuals and made possible the system of equal justice, limited government, and rule of law that exists in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The people who fought in the American Revolution made great sacrifices for their fledgling country; and

WHEREAS, The 55 delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 225 years ago, and the 39 delegates who signed the United States Constitution at the Constitutional Convention irrevocably changed the course of history; and

WHEREAS, The United States Constitution, a revered and living document, provides important rights to every citizen of the United States, secures “the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity,” and sets the standard of democracy for the world; and

WHEREAS, The delegates to the Constitutional Convention in 1787 established the imperative precedent of compromise; and

WHEREAS, The United States Constitution, and its amendments, outline the freedoms and the principles of representative government that are as strong today as they were on that momentous occasion in 1787; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2012, marks the 225th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution, which is the supreme law of the land and the document by which the people of this country self-govern; and

WHEREAS, To venerate the immeasurable importance of the United States Constitution and the day on which it was signed, it is essential to continually educate and celebrate the principles and legacy of the Founding Fathers; and

WHEREAS, Members, volunteers, and staff of historical, educational, and patriotic societies, including, but not limited to, the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the California Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, play an important role in promoting patriotism, preserving the history of the United States, and educating the public about the rights and responsibilities of citizenship; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature commemorates the 225th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 2012, and recognizes the sacrifices made by the people who made the signing possible; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature commends the continuing contributions made by the members, volunteers, and staff of historical, educational, and patriotic societies, including, but not limited to, the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the California Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in promoting patriotism and the values embodied in the United States Constitution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.